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GOVERNMENT MUST ACT WHEN INDUSTRY FAILS SAYS A. F. L. PRESIDEN

Trend Toward Socialization of Private Enterprises Inevitable, Declares William Green at "New Leader" Anniversary Dinner

Holds Employer Terrorism, Not A. F. of L. Policies, Ob stacle to Organization of Mass Industries—Says Gov ernment Ownership of Railroads is Inevitable—"Amer ican Labor Movement is Founded on Democracy, and Its Members May Change Policies Whenever a Majority

ABOR PLANKS INCLUDED IN BOTH DEMOCRATIC AND REPUBLICAN PLATFORMS AT RECENT PRE-PRIMARY CONVENTIONS

Outline is Similar Except That Democrats Declared for Shorter Working Hours to Provide More Jobs for the Unemployed—Both Parties Silent Regarding Changes in Present Primary Law.

WOOLEN AND WORSTED FEDERATION SECRETARY CALLS UPON ALL LOCALS TO ASK SUPPORT FOR TEXTILE MEASURE

bill provides for the fol-

DECLINE IN NEWSPRINT MANUFACTURING IN U. S. A. DUE TO FOREIGN IMPORTS ENDANGERS FUTURE OF BIG INDUSTRY

Drop in Tonnage in This Country From 1,684,000 in 1926 to 912,392 in 1935, is Amazing and Protection is Most Essential for Saving the Industry From Ruin - More Than 1,000 Maine Workers Affected by Drop in Tonnage in Five Years, With a 45 Per Cent Reduction in

200 Agencies Supply Spies to Anti-Union **Employers**

National Labor Relations Board Investigator Declares System is Widespread in American Industry — Make At tractive Offers to Union Officials to Leave Town, is Part of Evidence Submitted at Hearing.

LOSSES SUFFERED BY WOOL INDUSTRY FROM RECENT FLOODS IN NEW ENGLAND AND PENNA. ESTIMATED AT \$2,500,000

JOHN L. LEWIS REPORTED AS HAVING STARTED PLANS FOR FORMATION OF INDUSTIAL UNION IN NEW ENGLAND

KEITH'S WILL SUE IN EQUITY IF CASE IS LOST IN NEXT TRIAL

Barbers Mourn Death of General President



Merger Effected by Workers and Tailors

Military Disaffection Bill is Scored by Texas Representative

Decision Favorable to Theatrical Unions by Justice Thaxter Doesn't Phase Management, Who Declare They Will Sue in Equity if Supreme Court Upholds Decision.

Management Issues Ultimatum to Members to Discontin-ue Picketing Until Higher Court Decides Case Referred To It Committée in Charge Declares They Are Acting In Accordance With Law, and Call Upon Organized Labor for Support in Their Efforts to Establish Protective

Amalgamated Clothing Co-operation Between **Business and Labor Essential for Success**

So Said Edward A. Filene in Nation-wide Address Broad cast Last Tuesday Evening - Criticised Employers Who Acknowledge Business Improvement But Claim Its Con-tinuance Depends on Rossevelt's Defeat—Declares It Inconsistent for Bankers and Business Men to Condemn New Deal.



Woolen and Worsted Federation in New **Providence Quarters**

PORTLAND

NATIONAL SECURITY ACT, NEW DEAL AND CHISELING MANUFACTURERS SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION AT LOCAL C. L. U. MEETING

Talks by F. Harold DuBord, Organisars Frank P. Fenton and Norman Jeffery Keep Close Attention of Delegates —Latter Says Maine is "Hide Out" for Chiseling Man

old DuBord, candidate for the te nomination for Governor, the P. Fenton, New England for the Asswelcan Federa-abor, were speakers at the

What Are You Going To Do at The June Primaries, Mr. Voter?

Sub-Contractors on State Projects Must be Maine Residents

Chamber of Commerce Bans Ticket Selling Over the Telephone

Court Criticism O. K.'d by Judge Thaxter in Speech at Banquet

Sears SEROCO

'god Aid Provided by Admr. Hopkins

Musicians to Be Represented by Hicks at Detroit Convention

Member of Ry. Carmen Dies at Central Maine Hospital

Manager of Printwell Company, Member of Typo. Union, Dies

THEATRICAL UNIONS

BARBERS MOURN



Another Court Upholds Peaceful Picketing

Sec'y Ornburn Urges Formation of Union Label Leagues

Sled-Making Firm in Philadelphia Has Locked Out Workers

Seamen's President Dangerously Ill



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NEW YORK'S HIGHEST COURT HOLDS UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT VALID

U. T. W. OF A. ORGANIZER STATES WAGES IN SOUTHERN COTTON MILLS ARE HIGHER THAN IN NORTHERN MILLS

Says Conditions in Some Southern Districts Are Very Bad But When Unions Are Established These Find Employ ers Finding Fault Because of Competition From Low Wage Northern Mills.

Status of Social Security Law Varies in Several States

WOOLEN AND WORSTED DELEGATES ON TO PASSAIC, N. J., FOR CONVENTION OF FEDERATION ON SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

Experted 90 Locals Will be Represented by More Than 300 Delegates—Banquet in Ritz Hotel Ballroom on Sat-urday Evening Vice President Horace A. Riviere to Be Guest Speaker

PRESIDENT'S SPEECH IN BALTIMORE WAS MOST PURPOSEFUL AS IT RELATED TO MORE JOBS AND NATIONAL SECURITY

Favors Child Labor Amendment for Keeping Children in School, Thereby Greatly Increasing Employment for Adults—"There Must be New Progress, Not a Denial of It," Said the President.

U. T. W. Local 2259 Makes Good Progress in New Enrollments

Steady Progress Made by Maine Mutual Auto Insurance Co.

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Augusta Building Trades Unions to Form Council in May

Contractors on Togus Job Asked to Employ Only Local Labor



Thousand Employed

on 9 WPA Airport Projects in Maine

Marine Hospital Patient **Tells How Much He** Likes The Labor News

Seven Thousand Relief Workers Join Gov't **Employes Federation**

E Claude Babcock, president of the American Federation of Government Employee, announced that an agree-ment had been made with the repre-sentatives of the Association of Work-Vork City, Covering approximately 7. 500 cmployee, whereby this group will join the AFGE.

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Would a Labor Party Prove Helpful?

Are the Workers of This Country Sufficiently in-terested and Prepared Financially, to Successfully Carry Da a Party of Their Own?

It is not so many years ago, only a short time before he died, that Samue Gompers declared himself as unalterably opposed to the formation of a Labor Party According to Mr. Gompers, the sever

al attempts made by organized Labor in at attempts made by organized Labor in the past half-century to carry on a political party of its own, or line up with other groups, had caused severe setbacks to the Labor movement, from which it took years to recover.

Belief entertained that times have

Bellef entertained that times have changed considerably during the past decade, and that workers now feel altogether different from a political point of view, we are inclined to question.

The writer well recalls the belief expressed by leaders who were most enthusiastic for a Labor Party a quarter of a century ago, and finds little change in sentiument today, except possibly by large groups of workers employed in mass production industries, whose leaders feel that organized Labor will never come into its own until it declares for independence on the political as well as economic field.

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F. of L. has served its purpose, and that
changing times—due to drastic changes in production-necessitate direct action enable Labor to overcome the tremendous power and influence controlled by organ-ized industry.

Adherants of the A. F. of L. policy,

Adherants of the A. F. of L. policy, however, contend the rank and file of working people are not only still too greatly tied to party lines to become seriously interested in a third party, but that the task is a colossal one—that it would cost a tremendous amount of money, and that the risk of losing what ground has been gained through the non-partisan policy is such that the progress of Labor would be greatly retarded as a result.

It is argued that, unlike England, France and other European countries

France and other European countries France and other European countries where the native language is spoken by everyone, and where all are conversant with the ways and customs of the government, a Labor Party can be more effective than in this country, with its 35 different nationalities, many of whom do not speak the language of the country, and who are comparatively ignorant of the possibilities of success under our present form of covering the country. ccess under our present form of gov ernment.
It is contended that under our present

system, working people have it in their power to control the municipal, State and Federal governments. Why, then, go to the trouble and expense of forming an in-

the trouble and expense of forming an independent political party, when the workers—if they will use their voting power—
are able to do this?

It may be true that, if charged with
the responsibility of sponsoring an independent political party, greater activities
may result in increased interest, and that
in time great numbers of working people
will be induced to become part of the political modescent.

will be induced to become part of the political movement.

It must be remembered, however, that most interested in an independent political movement are people who are not to be classed as working people. They include persons in all walks of life, and while well intentioned, their ideas often clash with those of the workers, and hence the possibility of discord with resulting failure.

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Men and women who have never had to suffer the trials of arduous labor in factory, shop, mine, on construction work or road building, or at any occupation where long and tedious hours at starvation wages brought them hare existence, do not

think along the same lines as do working people. They are a fine lot of citizens, and seem bent on doing what they can toward alleviating the conditions of workers, but anternating the conditions of workers, but their general training and occupations— whether it be professional, business or elerical—is such as to make it diffi-cult for them to thoroughly understand the aims, objects and aspirations of those whose entire lives have been spent in pro-

The late Mr. Gompers once said that while Labor greatly appreciates the sym-pathy and kindly feeling expressed by hese good friends, Labor must be left to

The question is a serious one and must be given deep consideration by all who are alled upon to make a decision when the mestion is put before them for action, which may be very soon, as will be the case in Massachusetts, where a referendum is to be taken on May 29th.

One must weigh the question from all angles, and give paramount consideration as to whether or not Labor will benefit by the adoption of a political party of its own

Think it over!

WHY NOT REAL FLOOD CONTROL?

Disastrous floods in the eastern State have again focused public attention flood prevention and control.

A business publication, citing Missis sippi floods from the time of De Sota to

siph floods from the time of Personal states the present, asks why are great floods still possible after centuries of experience The question is heard after every big flood.

There is only one answer to the question. The people of the United States have not gone about the business of flood control and prevention on a scale sufficiently large. Army engineers say floods can be curbed, if not entirely prevented. Yet the nation, despite large sums of money on attempts to harness the Mississippi and other rivers. has tackled the flood problem in a half-hearted manner which has not done away with the flood danger. Here is a national task that will give

work to the unemployed for years to com-and that will be of incalculable benefit a long as the nation endures. There is the money, the equipment, the ability and in-telligence to successfully solve the prob-lem. Nothing seems lacking but the will

Knox Is For Balancing the Budget

How Can This Se Done With the Government Spend Ing Billions in Providing Food, Clothing and Housing for 12,500,000 Unemployed and Their Dependants?— Aspirant for Presidency's Line is Just "Old Stuff!

While Editor Knox, Governor Lando and Senator Borah, candidates for the Re publican nomination for President, and former President Hoover, Alice Roosevelt Longworth and highly-paid propagandists are lambasting President Roosevelt and are lambasting President Roosevelt and the New Deal, comes the news that the tex-tile industry which was "in the dumps" in 1932, not only showed a 100 per cent in-crease in 1935 over the production of that year, but a 20 per cent increase over 1934. According to "The Rayon Organon", published by Textile Economics' Bureau, Inc., the total production of textiles in 1932 amounted to \$474,500,000; in 1934, the to-tal had risen to \$819,500,000, and in 1935, it amounted to \$898,400,000, or \$169,900,000

amounted to \$989,400,000, or \$169,900,000 over 1934, and was more than double the total production in 1932.

We've heard a lot about increased pro duction of automobiles, steel, leather and shoes and other major industries through government statistics, but not until now ans there been much said regarding tex-riles, which according to this authentic source has made as good, if not a better record than other industries, as it brings time since 1929.

How these would-be aspirants for the

thow these would-be aspirants for the Presidency and professional political and newspaper propagandists expect to make the great masses of working people believe their fairy tales against the New Deal in the face of such progress as is being made, is something that causes fair-minded people to wonder if their talk isn't all ballyhoo and uttered for no other than selfish and political purposes? How, for instance, is it possible to bal-ance the Federal budget when 12,500,000

unemployed and their dependents must be

unemployed and their dependents must be feed, elothed and housed?

Colunel Knox, in his recent radio address in Chicago, declared the problem of taking care of the unemployed should be performed by communities.

Does the Colonel recall conditions existing in his own city a few years ago, when it became necessary to borrow millions from the Government with which to pay Chicago school teachers and other city employes, some of whom had not received any ploves, some of whom had not received any

salaries for more than a year?

It was evident from his talk that, if elected, he would recommend the stoppage

of the vast amount of money now expended for relief. If so, this would mean that the citizens of Maine would be taxed extra nillions yearly for taking care of those who, with WPA, PWA and other New Deal plans discontinued, would be placed at the mercy of Welfare Departments for support.

It is claimed the work this local uner It is claimed the work this focal open-ployed army is doing is unnecessary. The G. O. P. spellbinders and Liberty Leaguers claim this is a colossal waste of the peo-ple's money but fail to offer any remedy, except possibly they are of the opinion lo-cal authorities would be more rigid in the distribution. distribution of funds, and treating the

distribution of funds, and treating the unemployed as "lagy hounds", would, tell
them to go and find a job.

"Kill the New Deal at any cost,"
seems to be the one argument advanced by
its opponents. The fact that the textile
and other industries have almost reaghed
peak production, is given no consideration.
They aver this is a natural growth and
would have come without the New Deal.
What a nonsensical monstrosity this
aggregation is attempting to put over in

What a nonsensical monstrosity this aggregation is attempting to put over in their desperate efforts to fool the electorate. Will they succeed? Not if we can judge by the sentiment expressed by the large number of working people it is our pleasure to come in contact with.

Textile Manufacturers and the Ellenbogen Bill

Opportunity Offered for Stabilizing Industry Reets
Opposition From Many Who Had Moped This Could
Be Accomplished.

In drafting the Ellenbogen bill, or that which is known as the National Textile Act, hopes had been entertained that this eet with favor from a goodly Mum would need with tavor from a subset of large textile manufacturer who, on various occasions, expressed hop that something would occur to stabilize the stry.
Among these manufacturers were

some whose complaints were directed against competitors, who not only disregarded all rules concerning production, sales and distribution, but who are unduereiful as regards wages and general work

conditions of their employes. Except during the World War period, a prices were stabilized, when help was caree and when orders came faster ey could be filled, the industry from time unmemorial has been in a demoralized

ganization, little was accomplished through this to stabilize the industry. Attempts to do so failed because that portion of the membership regarded as chisclers were option, sales and distribution.

A manufacturer who is friendly to la

bor unions, told the writer some time ago that he felt certain leading New England manufacturers were ready to cooperate if plans formulated by the union could be made acceptable. He favored fair mini-mum wages, regulation of machine lond, and other fair working conditions. This vas prior to the general strike in the in lustry, when a comprehensive schedule which was not only submitted to all manu facturers but to members of the executive

board of their national organization.

Except for a few manufacturers who commended the plan, and expressed willingness to go along with the union, it was ignored by the majority, and declared impracticable by the National Association.

The general strike followed, and while this re this resulted in unionizing a goodly runn-ber of mills, and which made possible better wages and improved working cond tions, it did not accomplish all that had been anticipated—namely, that of bring-ing about complete unionization with con-sequent stabilization of the industry.

A great opportunity was lost when those manufacturers who favored coopera-tion with the unions did not combine and tion with the unions did not containe and force their national association to take favorable action. It was a golden moment for the future of the industry, but unfortunately, and what is thought to have been fear of offending nanufacturers in industries, who for the most part are dead-set against dealing collectively with unions, they failed to grasp the importance of life cooperative spirit manifested by the union stabilize the industry.

And now, another opportunity is offered. This time, through the passage of the National Textile Act. There is nothing drastic in this measure that calls for opposition, except from those who are decidedly opposed to any proposition enfanting from trade unions. Its main purpose is to stabilize the industry through governmental authority. Its adoption would mean the establishment of fininimum wage force their national association to take fav

mental authority. Its adoption would mean the establishment of minimum wage scales that would compel every manufac-turer to observe. It would do just what turer to observe. It would do just want legitimate manufacturers have been hop-ing for these many years — that of bring-

ing chiselers in the industry to their knees.

Through the NRA and the general strike, a gode eart was made-but more is needed as there still remains a sufficient number of "scabs" in the industry to cause legitimate. number of "scabs" in the industry to cause legitimate manufacturers to suffer frequent headaches.

In a recent talk with a manufacturer, a suggestion that owners gather and dis-cuss the Ellenbogen bill, was favorably re-ceived. We suggest this again. It is just ceived. that they have been seeking as a means for stabilizing the industry, and who knows but that such a conference print bring about good results.

Unfair Practices Game in Business

scent Report by Federal Trade Commission Shows i Kinds of Tricks Performed Places Large Concerns "Racket" Class-Low Pay and Long Hours Not Considered as Unfair Trade Practice.

One of the major functions of the Federal Trade Commission is to prevent business concerns from using "unfair practices" in the competitive field—practices which not only make it difficult for legitimate business to carry on but also defraud

A part of a recent week's schedule of cases heard by the Commission illustrates the various types of business rackets which ome before it.

A silk company was charged with "un fair competition in the use of a lottery scheme." A dispensary supply company was required to answer to the complaint of "unfair competition in the sale of a meof "infair competition in the sate of a medicinal preparation for treating 'over-weight.' Misleading representation of the use of the word "university" to charged in a complaint against a business tyersity. A publishing company was pagarage in a complaint against a business ever sity. A publishing company was pos-the carpet in a complaint charging misrep resentation in the sale of an encyclopedia. A wholesale confectionery association was charged with "conspiracies to fix prices and obstruct commerce in the candy trade

and obstruct commerce in the candy trade.'

A china company was charged with
"unfair competition in the sale of chinaware and other pattery." And, finally, a
building material dealers, alliance was
charged with fogming a combination to
compet distributors of building materials
through "recognized" dealers affiliated
with the alliance, and "fixing and establishing by agreement schedules of uniform
prices for the sale of building materials and
builders' supplies," which is held to be in oulders' supplies," which is held to be in ciolation of the Trade Commission Act. Up to date, the Commission has not considered long hours and low wages as

unfair trade practices. Such a rule has the indorsement of the Council for Industrial Progress, headed by Major George L. Ber-ry, Industrial Coordinator. The Council rrogress, acaute any anjor reenge L. Active, Industrial Coordinator. The Council recommends listing as unfair-practices the "employment of workers in excess of the average hours of work prevailing in the industry or hourly wages substantially less than similar types of employment paid in such industry."

Rendering Service All Important to Business

Edward Filene Says Less Fear of Competition and More Cooperation Will Bring About Better Production With Consequent Increased Employment.

If anybody fears the big bad wolf of ridled competition, as between co-operatives and business, that person is not Ed ward A. Filene, noted merchant and economist. In an address before the International Association of Sales Executives, at New York, Mr. Filene recommended that consumers, on their own initiative, may cooperate with business to hasten prosperity This will come about by bringing about more production, more employment and, quently, a bigger market.

Satisfying the customer, was the key te of success in this direction, he said. The consumer must be served, and served more and more effectively. On the other hand, co-operatives, themselves, are under the same obligation to render ever increa ingly efficient service to the buying public

Mr. Filene advised less worry about competition and more application towards personal service. He told of the early and infounded apprehensions of the banks. which had at first both feared and opposed eredit unions. Experience showed the folly of this fear. Today, banks and credit unions cooperate cordially. Moreover, a better understanding of the plain rules of eredit do much to east out political schemes of sharing wealth without earning it and by confiscating capital by means of which alone industry can function

"Banish fear, hold fast to courage, and render service," was the pathway to business revival, said the speaker.

A Big Banker Sees the Light

U.C. Leffingwell, who was As

change in the existing address before the Acad science in New Van approved.

"A government cannot bulance adget by edict, it cannot ext lood from a stone nor gain rever y deflating the national econor Needless to say, organized it crees with Mr. Leffingwell. As mixed labor has so often a

Straight Talk From "Farmer Jones" on the **Washington Conference**

The Rural Worker
The recent conderence of farm labor
and government officials at Washington was a turning point in the history
of sarricultural labor.
The producers of our country's food
learned that by hulding strong unions
they could become one of the most
preserved labor groups in the United

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No. Carolina Judge Restrains Labor Relations Board

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Labor Foes Have Same Contributors

Data in the possession of the U. S. Senate Labor Committee reveal that several of the groups most emphatic in their opposition to labor and pre-kreasive legislation, enacted by Com-kreas during the last three years have cotten their financial support from an almost identical list of large contributors.

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PER CENT TRANSACTIONS TAX WOULD SUFFICE TO FINANCE TOWNSEND PLAN

Robert H. Merrill, of Lynn, Contends Money Spent For Relief by Government During Next Few Years Would Easily Finance Townsend Plan—Says 19 Million Famthes Are Not Living in Accordance With American Standards Denies Burden Would Be Shifted From Rich to Poor Man.

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be given soon a model, with white the live on.

"This," Mr. Merrill, explained, "would make jobs for at least that samber glow unemployed, thereby making polsable a tremendous reduction in the amount now paid by the government, states and municipalities for relief."

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Twelve States Now Have Unemployment Compensation Laws

The Social Security Board, Department of LaJov, Washington, has just innounced that as of March 28, 1394, severe Statis, including the District components of the Control o

A. F. of L. President Strongly Endorses Buddy Poppy Sale

a Congress whose members realize the portance of social-welfare measures the necessity of dissipating the effectiveness of judical opposition to such laws. As a method to accomplish this purpose he recommended the mobilization of organiz-

ed labor's forfes at the ballot hox in the interest of cambidates favorable to an ef-fective swindswelfare policy. "Presidential election years are al-ways dominated by the campaign for the highest office in the land." President Green says. "But important as are the nomination and election of the Chief Ex-centive of the country, it is equally import-ant to Labor and good effizens generally that all other elective offices be held by persons with understanding of social wel-lare and with the courage to insist upon

ed labor's forces at the ballot box in the

Support Pres. Green in His Efforts to Keep Convention from Tampa

HOLC Program Provides a Huge Sum for Workers

The Home Owners' Loan Corpora-n had let reconditioning contracts to February 20 totaling \$72,000,000 th an additional \$6,000,000 then odling. An approximation ome Owners' Loan contracts brunery 20 rotaling strategy on the strategy of the

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RHODE ISLAND ASSEMBLY TAKES DEFINITE STAND AGAINST INFLUX OF JAPANESE TEXTILE PRODUCTS

Urges President to Take Advantage of Rights Under Soil Conservation Act to Restrict Japanese Importations on Plea That Continuance Will Ruin New England's Tex-

This, it is bility of meeting this problem by electing act that, in a Congress whose members realize the imgress and State Legislatures. said, may be attributed to the fact that, in a large measure, these came from the ranks of Labor, whose home environment uch as to make them fully realize that La or seldom got a square deal from indus-ry, and that progressive and remedial leg-station is most essential to the future, welfare of working people.

fare of working people.

In summing up the results of the election, some are inclined to believe that it was an indication as to what can be expected at the November general elections; that the people who two years ago elected a complete Democratic administration—have now changed their minds regarding the New Deal, and are acting ready to administer it a kneckout blow at the Fall elections.

The Labor News is not in accord with The Lator News is not in accord your these predictions. It knows too well the attitude of working people toward Fresident Rosesceld and his general pobletes. Conditions that prevailed in 1933, when doubtful inancial and business methods brought more than 15 millions of workers are the conditions of the condition of the conditio to the starvation point, are still too fresh in their minds to permit them to even think of defeating him for re-election.

We still maintain that the defeat of the Constitutional Convention idea in the State of Rhode Island was due: First, to a misunderstanding as to the real ments a mismorphism of the convention by a large number of workers, who, due to laziness or indiffer-ence, did not manifest sufficient interest in the proposition to go to the polls.

the proposition to go to the poils.

Among these were probably some who condemn the present non-partisan political policy of the A. F. of L., and enthusinastic over the formation of a Labor Party. If so, it demonstrates to a certain extent, at least, as to what may be expected should a Labor Party be effected.

a Labor Party be effected.
Governor Green is to be congratulated for the sincere and vigorous manner in which he conducted the campaign for the Constitutional Convention, and so are members of organized Labor who gave their unstinted cooperation during the campaign. While these felt disappointed over the result, they expressed no discouragement, however, and declare a good start has been made, and all pledge themselves to continue activation which they feel conto continue agitation which they feel of fident will eventually be successful.

Election of Social Welfare Members of Congress

Important That Support Be Given to Candidates Who Understand Workers' Needs and With Courage to Insist Upon Incorporating Definitions of Human Rights.

The persistent practice of the Judiciary to declare unconstitutional as violative of property rights legislation designed to protect the fundamental interests of working men and women

protect the lunamental interests of working men and women presents, a perplexing
problem of difficult solution.

In an editorial in the American Federationist on "The Coming Election", William Green, president of the American
Federation of Labor, stresses the advisa-

Strikebreakers Declared a Menace to Industrial Peace

Commenting on Arrest of Strikebreakers, Philadelphia Record Referred to These as ex-Convicts, and Com-mended Police For Action in Ridding Community of These Rodents.

Furnishing strikebreakers, often armed with deadly weapons, to anti-union employers for use in labor disputes is an old practice resorted to by racketeers, who have no scruplos regarding the underworld denizens whom they mobilize against working men and/women struggling to better their economic conditions.

ter their economic conditions.

Recently a large baking company in Philadelphia hired a group of these malodorous characters to "settle" a dispute with its employer regarding wages and hours. To the surprise of the company officials, the Philadelphia Police Department ordered the strikebreakers placed under arrest as a menace to industrial peace. This unsual method of handling strikebreakers musial method of handling strikebreakers usual method of handling strikebreakers was commended by the Philadelphia Rec-ord in an editorial entitled "To Preserve Ordon" a Carthed

ord in an editorial entitled "To Preserve Order in a Strike".

Pointing out that "it is common enough for police to be called upon 'to preserve order' during a strike," but that they "rarely do that job as logically, as sensibly as Philadelphia detectives did "in the bakery sarike when "they acted to prevent disorder by arresting 18 strikebreakers, apparently imported by a labor agency", the editorial continued:
"It takes two to make a fight, in a

cy", the editorial continued:
"It takes two to make a fight, in a
strike situation or any other. All too often
one of the parties is a professional strikebreaker. Fomenting strike violence in an attempt to cause pickets to lose public sympathy is a well-understood angle of the strikebreaking game.

strikebreaking game.

Philadelphiaus who believe industrial disputes should be settled in an atmosphere of peare will not take kindly to the discovery reported by the police that these strikebreakers were men used in the recent New York City elevator strike, and that they have been shifted around from job to job, city to city, as needed.

We don't wear that element in this

"We don't want that element in this "We don't want that element in this town and we are sure that the employers in this case did not know the past histories of the men supplied to them by the ageries. A Council so worried about erime as to force every ex-convict to register, even though he be presently enjoying a clean record, has something to get its teeth into in this problem.

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in this problem.

"Whether by city ordinance or State law, or both, the traffic in strikebreakers should be kept under strict official watch. Employment agencies dealing in strikebreakers should be held accountable for the acts of every man they supply, and should be subject to fine every time they supply a man with a criminal record. Safeguards of this order are under consideration in New York. They are needed here.

"The registration requirements and

"The registration requirements and supervision should be strictest in the case of the notorious New York City strike-

breaking agencies, which are now ploughing the Philadelphia field."

RAILROADS WEAK ON RESEARCH

Railroads have failed because the have not devoted enough time and mone

baye not devoted enough time and money to research, declares Dr. C. M. A. Stine of the Du Pont firm.

"Eight great inventions stand out as milestones of railroad progress during the aneteenth century," said Dr. Stine, "They are the telegraph, the sleeping ear, the automatic block-signal system, the air-brake, the refrigerator car, the automatic ear-coupler, the vestibule buffer, and the electric boromotive.

"Yet not one of these inventions upon which railroad progress was so vitally dependent was originated by a railroad man. "Research is the great lack of all the railroads, the weakness in they armor."

Why Republicans Oppose Progressive Legislation

Defeat of Constitutional C envention Plan in Rhode Island Cause for Further Breach Between Labor and Q. O. P.

There is much speculation as to just why the people of Rhode Island voted against holding a Constitutional Conven-

Some contend it was principally due some contend it was principany due to indifference on the part of many thou-sands of workers who, through laziness or other reasons, threw away an excellent op-portunity to secure that which organized

portunity to secure that which organized Lahor has been striving for many years.

Others attribute defeat to the power and influence exercised by G. O. P. leaders and wealthy corporations, aided and abetted by nearly all newspapers in the State who spared no means in bringing out the rural vote on the ground that the smaller towns would suffer from decreased representation; in the State Legislature.

The question, then, again comes to us as to why leading Republicans are invaras to why learning responses to legisla-tion. This does not apply to Rhode Island alone, but to other States in this part of the country. From time immemorial, all the country. From time immemorial, all progressive legislation has been initiated by Democrats, and passed with the assist-ance of a small number of liberal-minded Republicans.

Hepublicans.
This not only applies in State Legislatures, but in the Congress also, where Democrats are usually pretty well lined up in favor of Labor and remedial legislation, but which, for the most part, finds Republican members unalterably opposed.

Some attribute this to the fact that G.

O. P. members are largely made up of men of business, executives or lawyers, and others whose associations in life have been such as to deprive them of actual knowledge of conditions concerning those who do the world's work, and are fearful lest progressive legislation might retard progress and profits, and therefore they are invari-ably vigorous in their opposition.

A different attitude seems to guide the actions of Democratic members of Con-

fare and with the courage to insist upon incorporating definitions of human rights in our social policy and making them en-In the past, both substantive legislation enacted by legislatures and judicial legislation handed down by the Judiciary have been mainly concerned with

rights of those who own property and who invest capital. Laws to promote social welfare have invariably been declared unote social constitutional. Sometimes years of patient educational work informing public opinion brings a reversal of judicial ediets, but in the main some interpretation of due pro-cess clauses protects yested property rights while the persons who ask recognition of the work and service they perform for so-ciety get no recognition or protection.

ce no recognition or protection. There is a crucial battle on between "There is a crucial battle on between those who rally to defense of property and hold that the main function of government is protection of property and those who hold that the goal of organized society is the assurance of opportunities for the best living possible for all and that the main function of government is the promotion of mational well being. At present many in the Judiciary and in legislative and administrative high values are preportion to the Judienary and in legislative and admin-istrative high places are promoting the welfare of vested interests as opposed to the rights and interests of those whose in-vestments are such intangible things, as creative labor and carrying on productive

"We are now confronted with situa tions where we know what is the wise and constructive policy to follow to achieve economic and social purpose but are pow-erless to act.

"It is of the gratest importance that "It is of the gratest importance that earlidates be nomin ted and elected in the coming campaign padged to the responsi-hility of finding hor social welfare legis-lation can be made one law of the land un-challenged by the Mudriciary. Congress must be able to legis late in the national in-

terests.

"The duty rests upon every labor or ganization throughout the land to do its part' in securing the election of candidates committed to this pragram and pledged to its enactment. Questioning of candidates and commitment in advance is necessary to success. The welfare of our Nation is at stake."



POLITICS AND CANDIDATES FOR FEDERAL AND STATE OFFICES WARMLY DISCUSSED AT REGULAR MEETING OF TEXTILE COUNCIL

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-Pres-

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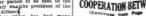
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